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1. The Guard Regiment which is housed in the Ljubljana barracks in Zagreb has three infantry battalions, one headquarters battalion and an artillery battalion. The commander of the regiment is listed as Lt. Col. Radivoje Kovecovic. The political commissar is listed as Major Dusan Batas.
2. The various weapons with which this regiment is supplied are listed as follows:
 - a. Soviet automatic sub-machine guns with magazines
 - b. Soviet machine guns of the Maxime model
 - c. Soviet anti-tank guns
 - d. 45 mm. anti-tank cannons
 - e. 75 mm. anti-tank cannons
 - f. 85 mm. mortars
 - g. Soviet rifles
3. In addition to the above armament, the regiment has a reserve of domestic rifles produced in the Kragujevac factory, domestic Sarac rifles and equipment similar to bazookas.
4. Uniforms worn by the Guard Regiment are similar to those of other units, with the difference that the men in this unit wear boots and caps with a red border, and a red band one centimeter wide on the epaulettes.
5. The Guard Regiment is employed chiefly as a guards unit for private apartments of ministers, members of the Croatian Government, and buildings of the ministries. The section in Zagreb where the majority of ministers reside is Vrapce. The superintendent of buildings here is alleged to be a cousin of Tito, a certain Captain Broz. His son who is also a captain [REDACTED] 25X1 and is in command of one of the battalions of the Guard Regiment in Zagreb.

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